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SUBJECT: ARRIVAL STATEMENT BY SECRETARY VANCE AT BEN-GURION AIRPORT
TUESDAY, 1900, FEBRUARY 15, 1977.

1. THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. MINISTER. FIRST, MAY I SAY HOW
GRATEFUL I AM TO BE HERE AND TO MEET MY OLD FRIEND, THE
FOREIGN MINISTER, AGAIN. AS HE INDICATED, THIS IS THE FIRST
STOP ON MY FIRST MISSION FOR PRESIDENT CARTER AS SECRETARY
OF STATE. TOMORROW, I WILL DISCUSS WITH PRIME MINISTER RABIN
AND THE LEADERS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT THE QUEST FOR PEACE.

2. IT IS RIGHT AND PARTICULARLY FITTING THAT THAT DISCUSSION
SHOULD BEGIN HERE BETWEEN OLD FRIENDS. WE ALL KNOW THAT THIS
WILL NOT BE AN EASY TASK, NOR ONE WHICH IS QUICKLEY ACHIEVED.
I WILL NOT GO INTO DETAIL AS WE WILL BEGIN OUR DETAILED
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DISCUSSIONS OF HOW THE PROCESS MAY START TOMORROW.

3. I HAVE ONE SIMPLE MESSAGE, AND THAT MESSAGE IS: THAT THE
UNITED STATES IS CONVINCED THAT A FUNDAMENTAL UNDERLYING
PRINCIPLE OF OUR SEARCH FOR THIS PEACE IS THE ENDURING TRUST
AND CONFIDENCE BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS, WHICH HAS BEEN THE
FOUNDATION OF OUR RELATIONSHIP FOR THREE DECADES.

4. LET THERE BE NO QUESTION. THE U.S. IS DEEPLY COMMITTED
TO THE SECURITY AND SURVIVAL OF ISRAEL, TO ITS VALUES; THESE
ARE OBJECTS OF PEACE, A PEACE WHICH WE ALL DEVOUTLY HOPE FOR.
THANK YOU.
VANCE

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